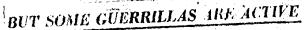
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Cloak-and-Daggar Silence Over Red China Spy Intrigue

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young men, free Chinese and been charging that American- and Macao, the natural take-off Koreau paddled silendy along trained Chinese spies nave been the coast of the China mainland awarming in by land, see and looking for a rendezvous.

They were just off the Shantung peninsula, across the Yellow Sea from South Korea.

As they snaked their rubber boats to shore-they had two boats with three man in eachthey were seen by a Communist shore policeman who rang? an alarm.

of them were killed and the other three seized as "spics."

This, at any rate, is how Pelping Radio describes an unsuccessful "sabotage raid" on the Red mainland.

electric torches and forged identitles, the Communists insisted. Just this week the Reds sen-

tenced the three survivors before some 1,600 "witnesses" near Tsingtao. One of the three men got off with a one-yearsentence for "good behavior"

The implication was clear he had squealed. The Communist version is that the six were hired by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency in Tokyo. trained as espionage-sabotage agents and put near shore.

Five days later-that is, last Tuesday-the Communists announced the fruit of their Shantung Beach capture:

The regime had "convicted" a big, organized ring in Tsingtao that was allegedly preparing to overthrow the government by military force.

The Communists said the whole plot was financed with American dollars Au I had this wasn't the tarst turne

might say. Where is the pooff on similar deals. TOKYO (INS) — One gray There is none, of course For officers, courses in Hong Kong night last summer six strong years the communists have mir.

> In their way, the communist cries might give some American taxpayers satisfaction that the secret budget of the Central Intelligence agencies spotted around Asia maintain grim-lipped silence.

Most American CIA agents are not identifiable in their The youngsters made a fight niches in embassies, consulates, of it. But within minutes, three military establishments or pos-

ing as free-lance newsmen. They will never admit their positions. Below the high-class CIA

level are some American organs' so amateurish that they are easily spotted by persons of. average perception. But they, actually exist.

are supposed to be furnishing | 1 = in 1955. sions, similarly will not office on these "guerrillas" espionage

A few weeks ago I asked a Nationalist official somewhat natvely if he had any comment on the communist charges

"Come on, now." I said. "If you are bothering the communists as much as they claim, you might as well take credit for it.'

conclusions"

handed over a small Chinese Recent Cas. hoy to be flown to meedon. Bush said he didn't think it was

All this sounds like the anal exceptional—people were flying Communist propagation one into China all the time, he said,

The ts borne out by non-

The Communists claim that "American - financed" agents are dropped in by air after takeoffs from Formosa. The Amonalists, who consider themselves at war with the Communists, admit proudly to their reconstssance missions in Ithe case of the enemy's jet intercepto squadrons.

Communist defense patrols are spread pretty thin in some areas," an Air Force officer explained. "And when year go in low with a C46 you ordinarily can avoid radar detection."

The Nationalists also publisize ben guerrilla raids, conducted for purely military intelisence or to hit a particu-The six men were carrying too, maintain allence of maintain soft spot on the China ultra-shortwave radios, pistols, too, maintain allence of maintain soft spot on the China land operations—if indeed they coase the last finnes released. The Chinese Nationalists, who will example, told of 131 guer-

> cially admit they are engaged in stay on the mainland for as long Nationalist China's President Chiana Kai-shek once claimed to be a force of "one million" guerrilles holding out all over

The dropping of 'agents" that the Communists have publicized inost involve two American civil as, John Thomas Downey of New Britain, Conn., and He winked slyly 'One never Rieand George Fecteau of admits of espionage and sabo- 1; and Mass Both are serving ist prisons

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The Communists held the 11 tage You must draw your own long terms in Chinesa Commun-flyers for 32 months, claiming inginland skies.

of how he flew several hundred criw of 11 mea state 229 devillans that they were described with an Afr force wring confessions from the two criw of 11 mea state 229 devillans that they were december 11 mea state 229 devillans that they were december 11 means the confession of the two critics and the confession of the miles into Red China, made a was shownown while the real-shortwave radios to established split-second rendezvous at at let dropping missible, over largents on the mainland. U.S. Iteau have been fruitless.

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